

HINES CALLS RAIL UNION LEADERS IN CONFERENCE

Effort Made to Meet Railroad Problem—Railway Clerks and Freight Handlers Threaten Strike.

SHOP STRIKE GROWS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—All railroad union officials now in Washington were asked by Director General Hines to meet with him at noon today for a conference on the high cost of living.

RELIEF DEMANDED.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Four hundred fifty thousand members of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees today joined with other railway workers in demanding that "unless something be done materially to reduce the cost of living our wages must be raised to give us immediate relief." The demands have been transmitted to the railroad administration, J. J. Forrester, president of the brotherhood, announced.

THOUSANDS JOIN STRIKE
CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—The strike of federated railway shopmen which entered on its fourth day today and has already involved approximately 250,000, will soon spread to every section of the country, local officials of the union declared today, unless their demands are speedily met.

The ranks of the strikers were augmented by several thousand yesterday, many others voted to join today, while locals at a number of important railway centers, including Kansas City, Mo., were to ballot during the day on the question of going out.

Fifteen hundred shopmen at Superior, Wis., were to quit work today, according to the president of the Superior local. Should the men quit at Superior and other railway terminals at the head of Lake Superior, the movement of iron ore down the great lakes would be seriously hampered within a few days, railroad officials said.

Decide Against Strike
At Cumberland, Md., the shopmen of the B. & O. railroad who went out Friday, called off the strike Sunday, on the ground that it did not have official sanction.

In other cities the locals at mass meetings decided not to strike until orders came from their executive officials who are now in Washington in conference with officials of the railroad administration.

The most serious tie up of industry caused by the shopmen's strike was reported from Gary, Ind., where eight of the twelve blast furnaces there of the United States Steel corporation were banked. It was said 10,000 men were thrown out of employment as a result of the shutting down of these furnaces.

The entire force of shopmen employed by the Wabash and the Lake Erie & Western railroads, according to heads of local unions, while on other railroads the tie up was only partial.

Railroad officials said that traffic would begin to suffer seriously within 5 days to a week unless some settlement of the strike is arranged.

LIBERTY TEACHER TO DIRECT TAKING OF CENSUS IN SIXTH

Jesse E. Stevens, a school teacher of Liberty, will have supervision of the taking of the 1920 government census in the sixth district, according to official announcement made at Washington Monday. Stevens is a Democrat, as are all other census supervisors named for Indiana. A supervisor is named for each congressional district.

The supervisor is authorized to name the enumerators, probably one for each township and city ward, who will take the census of the population and also farm statistics. Applicants will be required to pass a test.

The enumerators will begin their work January 1 and it must be completed within thirty days. Their reports will be completed and sent to Washington. For his four or five months of work, each supervisor will receive about \$2,000 and in some districts more.

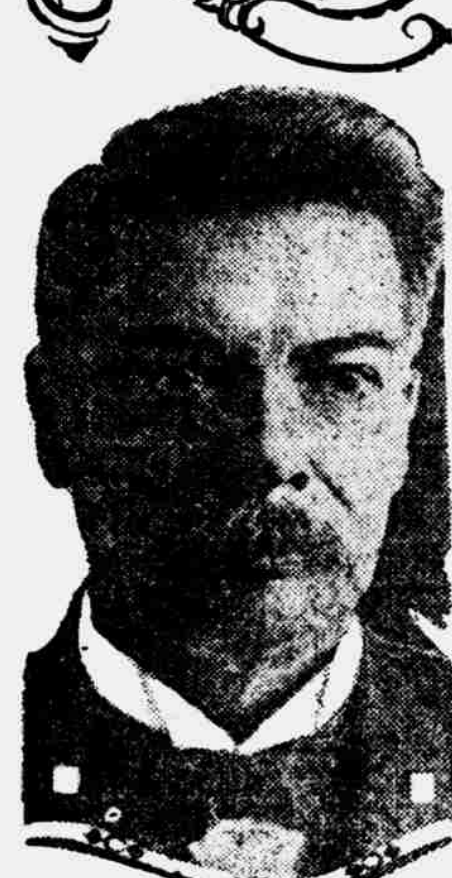
The enumerators will receive from \$3 to \$6 a day for their month's work. Those in Alaska and such places will receive the maximum pay, while enumerators in sections of the country having good transportation facilities and better weather will get less pay.

SHOP MEN WALK OUT AT INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 4.—Following a strike vote this morning 2,500 men employed at the Beach Grove shops of the New York Central lines walked out at noon today.

Shopmen employed by the Pennsylvania, the Chicago, Indianapolis and Western, and the Monon railroads also held meetings today and decided to remain at work until they received further orders from the executive officers of the Federated Railway Shopmen's union, who are now in conference with the railroad administration at Washington.

One "Statesman" Jails Another—In Honduras



President Bertrand (above) and Vice President Membreno

It is reported that President Bertrand of Honduras has imprisoned his vice president, Dr. Alberto Membreno, charging the latter with having taken the leading part in a revolution proclaimed recently in Honduras. Membreno was formerly Honduran minister to the United States.

GRAND JURY MAY BE CALLED HERE IN PRICE PROBE

Judge Bond Says Reports of Profiteering Will be Investigated—Prices Are High.

An investigation of the high prices of food stuffs in Richmond may be conducted by the Wayne county grand jury, unless some change is made in the present high prices, according to Judge Bond, of the Wayne circuit court.

Judge Bond said Monday that he would call the grand jury into a special session to investigate food conditions, if there was any evidence of profiteering on the part of wholesale and retail food dealers.

"I am heartily in favor of looking into this matter, and will do all in my power, even to calling the grand jury, if there is any chance of cutting the high cost of living in Richmond," Judge Bond said Monday. "I have noticed that prices here are much higher than elsewhere, especially in the smaller communities."

Instances have been pointed out to the judge, he said, where food products in smaller towns near Richmond have offered food stuffs for sale from 50 to 75 percent cheaper, than they are offered in Richmond. Although this applies chiefly to the fresh fruits and vegetables, in the opinion of the judge, other commodities are high in comparison.

"I have been told by retail grocers in Richmond, that they cannot purchase green stuff direct from the farmers for fear of causing a break with commission men, which would mean that they would be unable to buy fruits that have to be shipped here," Judge Bond said.

"This means that grocers must purchase all of their commodities from wholesale or commission merchants, with a corresponding increase in price."

"I am not only ready and willing, but am eager to give every assistance in solving the food problem in Richmond, and will call the grand jury as quickly as I can find evidence of profiteering among the local dealers of food products."

Preliminary Plans For City Budget To Be Made

Preliminary plans for making up the city budget for 1920 will be considered at a meeting to be held Wednesday evening of the Board of Works and heads of the city departments.

STRIKE TIES UP CITY'S ICE; NO RELIEF PROMISED

Drivers and Helpers of Crystal Company Walk Out—2-3 of Supply Tied up.

Two-thirds of the ice supply of Richmond was tied up Monday morning at 10:00 o'clock when the entire force of drivers and assistants of the Crystal Ice company went on strike.

Manager Taylor, of the company, said in the afternoon that he would put ice into the homes served by the company as soon as he could get men to handle the wagons, but that he could say absolutely nothing as to when that would be.

Neither side would make any statement as to the result of a conference held by the head of the strikers and the manager after the men drove back to the barn.

Hospital Supplied
Reid hospital, and other centers where the lack of ice might be unusually serious, say that they get their ice from other companies.

The manager of the Independent company, the only other company delivering ice in the city, said that he was delivering absolutely up to his promise to relieve the situation in any way.

The men said they had been working unspecified hours, usually amounting to many more than ten a day, for \$25 a week for drivers and \$22 for helpers. They are asking for \$30 for drivers and \$25 for helpers; a ten-hour day, and time and one-half for overtime.

They said they thought the company could meet their demands by subdividing the routes, and putting on two more wagons, claiming that the present routes are too long to be covered adequately in a ten-hour day.

Forty-seven tons a day is the total handled by the Crystal, according to the manager, the company handling the whole output of the Rettig plant, besides its own. The Independent, the other company delivering, has a capacity of about 34 tons, of the city's demand of 70 tons a day.

Will Fight for City's Health
"It is essential for the city's health that the strike be over as soon as possible," said Dr. J. H. Kinsey, city health officer, Monday morning.

"Babies dependent on ice to keep their milk sweet, will suffer, as well as sick persons. If the strike continues long, I anticipate a severe decline in health due to the fact that people will try to keep food as long as possible at the present high prices, and it will inevitably spoil."

STRIKE TIES UP GRAIN SHIPMENTS; ELEVATORS CLOSE

In Wayne county strikes on the railroads are making it difficult for operators of grain elevators to ship out their grain. The operator of the elevator at Economy reported Monday that it would be necessary to close Monday because the elevator was filled. About 7,000 bushels are on hand.

The Greensfork elevator has 12,000 bushels of grain on hand and no cars. A car was promised the elevator today but had not come. A little grain was received at the elevator Monday, but it is about filled. Two cars on the siding at New Paris have been filled up and no others are expected. Over 10,000 bushels of grain are in the elevator which is now shut down.

PICK GRAND JURORS TO PROBE RACE RIOT

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Aug. 4.—After the calmest night in the "black belt" for more than a week, the work was begun today of selecting a grand jury before which will come the cases of white men and negroes who are accused of participating in the race riots which caused the death of 20 negroes and 13 whites, and the injury of hundreds. The coroner has fixed the number of dead at 33 and the city health commissioner has found 306 people injured in the riots were treated in hospitals. The expressed the opinion, however, that perhaps 400 or more who were injured in the riots never reported at hospitals and consequently the total number of injured will never be known officially.

The state troops had little to do during the night in the riot zone, but much excitement was caused early today by persistent reports telephoned into headquarters of the second regiment, that a crowd of 500 men was gathering at South Ashland avenue and West 59th street. When a company of troops reached the scene the crowd had vanished and the soldiers returned to headquarters.

Several thousand negroes who expected to return to work in the stock yards today, after nearly a week's absence on account of the riots, must wait until the unrest caused by the disturbances in the district have subsided. They are announcing that the colored men would return to work today, superintendents of all the large packing houses decided that it would be prudent to hold the negroes at their homes for an indefinite period.

Christian Endeavors In Jugo-Slavia Will Meet

(By Associated Press)
BOSTON, Aug. 4.—The Rev. Dr. Francis E. Clark, president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union, announced that the first national conference of Christian Endeavorers in Jugo-Slavia would be held this fall. Dr. Clark left here today to attend the biennial conference of the United Society of Christian Endeavor at Buffalo.

Airplane Worth a Million Dollars, Said to Have Been Burned by American Officers, Shown in Pyre at Colombes-Les-Belles, France



Pile of U. S. airplanes at Colombes-Les-Belles, France, just before and shortly after torch was applied.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The burning of huge piles of airplanes, many of them new and practically all pronounced to be in good condition, to make an officers' holiday in France, has stirred the ire of congress.

The facts as unearthed by Representatives Oscar Bland and Royal C. Johnson, Republican members of the house sub-committee on military expenditures, are that 150 airplanes valued at more than \$1,000,000, were piled in great heaps by officers at Colombes-Les-Belles, and deliberately burned.

Engines Destroyed
It was testified by witnesses of the 1st Pursuit Squadron, some of whom had taken part in the destruction, that 150 airplanes were burned after their engines had been removed and smashed. Some of the engines were described as in good condition. One had been in the air only twenty minutes, according to its log book. New wings, new tires and undamaged fuselages were burned.

LANSING TO BE QUESTIONED ON PACT FEATURES

Political Aspects of Treaty to be Examined by Senate Committee.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Secretary Lansing, who was the head of the American delegation at the peace conference after President Wilson returned home, will be questioned by the senate foreign relations committee Wednesday regarding the political features of the treaty. He is also expected to be asked many questions regarding the league of nations.

Norman Davis, American financial advisor at Versailles, told the committee today that the American peace delegates expressed no opinion as to whether the United States should receive part of the indemnity paid by Germany because they felt they were without authority in the matter. Pressed by committee members to describe the exact attitude of the American delegates, Mr. Davis declared the impression was not given to the peace conference that the United States would ask for no part of the indemnity.

Looked to World Interest.
"Nor did we tell them," he added, "that the United States would request a part. We felt we had no authority to do so. I will say, however, that our position there was somewhat different from that of the other nations in that our interests were so infinitesimal directly as compared to the others. We were not trying to trade for something but were looking rather to the interests of the whole world."

Mr. Davis said there had been no decision whether the United States would accept German securities in reimbursement for money loaned by this country to Belgium but that President Wilson had said he would recommend that course to congress.

City Of Paris Is Cited For "Firm and Smiling Courage"

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Sunday, Aug. 3.—Clemenceau has cited the city of Paris in army orders as follows: "The city of Paris, a capital magnificently worthy of France, animated by patriotic faith which never faltered, bore with firm and smiling courage frequent bombardments by aircraft and long-range guns from 1914 to 1918 and has added deathless chapters to her secular glory."

Troops Charge Liverpool Rioters With Bayonets

(By Associated Press)
LIVERPOOL, Aug. 4.—Riotous crowds were driven from the streets of this city this morning by troops charging with fixed bayonets. The rioters filled the streets during the night and it was not until daybreak that the soldiers were ordered to charge. The cruiser Valiant and two destroyers have moved into the Mersey river to protect the docks.

UNIVERSAL ARMY SERVICE IN U.S. ASKED BY BAKER

Plan Provides for War Strength of 1,250,000 Men—Half to be Reserve.
(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Maintenance of one field army with a war strength of 1,250,000 men is proposed in a bill establishing a permanent military policy which was sent to congress today by Secretary Baker.

The active force of this army would be 610,000 regulars while the remainder would be young men who had taken a three month's military training course which would be compulsory for all 19-year-old youths. This reserve strength would be used to fill out the 20 infantry divisions and the one cavalry division into which it is supposed to divide the regular army.

Under the measures all special services built up during the war would be maintained as separate branches except the chemical warfare service which would be merged with the engineer's corps.

Guard to be Unchanged.
Promotion of officers by seniority would be abolished. Secretary Baker said the war had shown this system of promotion to be defective.

No change in the existing law with regard to the organization of the national guards and its relation to the regular army was suggested. Mr. Baker said it was assumed that the army would be abolished. Federalizing the guard would be retained in force.

Under the war department's plan, youths would be subject to military service for two years after completing the course of military training and in the event of war the selective service act in force during the great war would become operative.

BOMB EXPLOSION INJURES FORMER U. S. ATTORNEY

Oscar Lawler in Serious Condition—Revenge of Dynamiters is Seen.

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Aug. 4.—Oscar Lawler, former assistant United States attorney-general, who was seriously burned yesterday in a fire following a bomb explosion which wrecked his home, has "a chance of recovery," according to his physicians early today. They seemed certain of the recovery of Mrs. Lawler, who also was badly burned.

The explosion was said by the police to have been the result of a desire for revenge by a group of dynamiters whom he prosecuted some years ago in the middle west.

A reward of \$5,000 for the arrest and conviction of perpetrators of the bomb outrage has been offered by the Merchants and Manufacturers' association and Mayor Schneider announced that he would ask the city council today to offer an additional \$1,000 reward.

Deep burns covered nearly half of Mr. Lawler's body chiefly on the upper part. Mrs. Lawler's burns were of a secondary nature, but her sufferings were increased by a fracture of the clavicle, sustained, it was believed, when her husband dropped her fainting from the second story of their burning home.

Child is Uninjured.
Awakened shortly before 3 o'clock Sunday morning by a terrific explosion immediately below the second story porch, where they were sleeping and seeing the home enveloped in flames, Mr. and Mrs. Lawler attempted to reach another sleeping porch to rescue their five year old son, Oscar, Jr., and his nurse.

When they were cut off by the fire, Mrs. Lawler fainted. Her husband took her in his arms and carried her through the flames to a window and lowered her body to an awning which covered a window on the ground floor. From the awning she fell to the ground. Mr. Lawler then jumped, striking his head on the steps.

The boy and his nurse were rescued uninjured. Neighbors told of having seen a mysterious group of men near the Lawler home last Friday night, of hearing footsteps shortly before the explosion; of seeing a man dressed in gray a number of times in front of the residence and of a speeding automobile immediately after the explosion.

The explosions were heard at the (Continued on Page Thirteen)

SENATE TAKES UP BATTLE ON COST PROBLEM AGAIN TODAY

Agriculture Committee Called for Tomorrow to Discuss Means of Lowering Living Cost—Wheat Debated.

PRESIDENT RETURNS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—President Wilson returned to Washington early today from a week-end trip down the Potomac to the Mayflower. He had no engagements for the forenoon and was understood to be devoting his attention to the high cost of living problem.

NO REMEDY OFFERED
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—Discussion of the high cost of living was resumed in the senate today immediately after the session opened. Chairman Gronna of the agriculture committee announced that he had called a committee meeting tomorrow to discuss means of reducing the cost of living. He said he had no remedy to offer but declared that increase of wages and decrease of working hours was not a panacea nor would government ownership or control of utilities solve the problem.

Relation of the price of wheat to the cost of living was debated by several senators.

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BOARD ASKED FOR PAY INCREASE BY FIREMEN OF CITY

An increase of \$10 a month, every fifth day off and a vacation of 14 days was asked by the Richmond firemen in a petition received by the board of public works at its meeting Monday morning.

The petitioners ask that the new increase take effect January 1 so that their request can be considered when the new budget is made up in September. The firemen are now receiving \$30 a month, having received two increases during the past year. The petition was placed on file and it will be considered when the budget is made up.

MAYOR NAMES CITY PLAN COMMISSION

Appointment of the city planning commission, the creation of which was authorized by the city council in a resolution adopted sometime ago, was announced Monday morning by Mayor W. W. Zimmerman.

The members of the commission are Alonzo M. Gardner, attorney; John H. Niewoehner, sanitary engineer; John Mueller, architectural engineer; Matthew Von Pein, councilman; Rev. J. J. Rae, welfare; Walter Reid, manufacturer; and D. B. Davis, city civil engineer.

The duties of the commission, as outlined in the resolution shall be to prepare and submit to the council and Board of Works comprehensive plans for the future physical development and improvement of the city; based primarily upon utility, convenience and beauty, physical needs and possibilities, and the social welfare and well being of the people.

The appointment of the commission is in line with the most progressive ideas of city management, said Dr. Zimmerman, Monday.

"Persons who are thoroughly competent and who have the respect of the majority of the people, who are sound in their judgment, yet at the same time capable of dreaming for the future growth and needs of the city of Richmond are to be members of the commission and act as a nucleus around which public opinion can be formed concerning civic projects. Because the commission is composed of persons from the various sections of the city there will be a tendency to draw the people of each community closer together in their interests for the benefit of the whole city."

For Indiana, by United States Weather Bureau—Partly cloudy, probably showers and thunderstorms in north portion tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature.

Today's Temperature. 89
Yesterday. 42
Maximum. 42
Minimum. 52